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Dated: May 9, 2006

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Lisa Adams
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Docket No.: 101896-0239
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Jonathan Fanger et al.

Application No.: 10/776,414

Filed: February 11, 2004

For: **GUIDE FOR SPINAL TOOLS, IMPLANTS,
AND DEVICES**

Confirmation No.: 2408

Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Robert W. Amareld, Jr.

PETITION TO ADD AN INVENTOR PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

DePuy Spine, Inc., as owner of record of all title, right, and interest in the above-identified application, hereby petitions the Commissioner to amend the above-identified application by adding the name of inventor Glen Arthur Presbrey, a citizen of the United States, whose residence is 574 Victory Highway, Pascoag, RI 02859.

This petition is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(1) to convert the above identified application of **Jonathan Fanger and Eric D. Kolb** to an application of **Jonathan Fanger, Eric D. Kolb, and Glen Arthur Presbrey**. Applicants submit that the three individuals are actual inventors of the invention described and claimed in the application.

Accompanying this petition is a statement by the omitted inventor, Glen Arthur Presbrey, stating the omission was made through error without any deceptive intention, and an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney by the actual inventors, Jonathan Fanger, Eric D. Kolb and Glen Arthur Presbrey, as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(2) and 3).

A check in the amount of \$130.00 for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) is submitted herewith, as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(4).

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Also submitted herewith is the written consent of the assignee of record to the requested inventorship correction, as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(5).

Applicant submits that the foregoing documents meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a). Accordingly, the correction of inventorship from Jonathan Fanger and Eric D. Kolb to an application of Jonathan Fanger, Eric D. Kolb, and Glen Arthur Presbrey as the actual inventors is respectfully requested.

Dated: May 9, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By 
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STATEMENT OF GLEN ARTHUR PRESBREY 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(1)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Glen Arthur Presbrey, understand that I was not originally named as an inventor of the above-referenced application, and that I am now being added as an inventor. This error in omitting me as an inventor occurred without any deceptive intent on my part.

Dated: 5-4-06

Glen Arthur Presbrey

Glen Arthur Presbrey



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

GUIDE FOR SPINAL TOOLS, IMPLANTS, AND DEVICES

the specification of which:

☒ was filed on: February 11, 2004

as Application No.: 10/776,414

In the event that the filing date and/or Application No. are not entered above at the time I execute this document, and if such information is deemed necessary, I hereby authorize and request my attorneys/agent(s) at Nutter, McClennen & Fish, LLP, World Trade Center West, 155 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2604, to insert above the filing date and/or Application No. of said application.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment, if any, specifically referred to herein.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available to me between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Number	Date of Filing	Status (Patented/Pending/Abandoned)
10/664,575	September 17, 2003	Pending
10/409,958	April 9, 2003	Pending
10/609,123	June 27, 2003	Pending

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

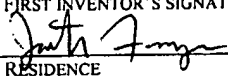
I hereby appoint all practitioners at **Customer Number 021125**, all of Nutter, McClennen & Fish, LLP, World Trade Center West, 155 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2604, jointly, and each of them severally, my attorneys at law/patent agent(s), with full power of substitution, delegation and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

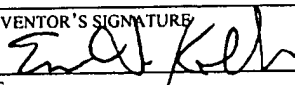
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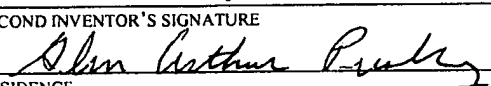
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ASSIGNEE CONSENT TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.48

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

DePuy Spine, Inc., as owner of record of all title, right, and interest in the above-identified application, hereby consents to the addition of Glen Arthur Presbrey as an inventor in the above-referenced patent application. DePuy Spine, Inc. is the owner of record of all title, right, and interest in the above-referenced patent application by virtue of an assignment from inventors Jonathan Fanger and Eric D. Kolb to DePuy Spine, Inc., which was recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 7, 2004, at Reel 015300, Frame 0989.

The undersigned is fully authorized to execute this document on behalf of DePuy Spine, Inc.

5/5/06
Date

[Signature]
David A. Lane
Assistant Secretary



Supplemental Application Data Sheet

Application Information

Application number::	10/776,414
Filing Date::	02/11/04
Application Type::	Regular
Subject Matter::	Utility
Suggested Group Art Unit::	3738
CD-ROM or CD-R?::	None
Sequence submission?::	None
Computer Readable Form (CRF)?::	No
Title::	GUIDE FOR SPINAL TOOLS, IMPLANTS, AND DEVICES
Attorney Docket Number::	101896-0239
Request for Early Publication?::	No
Request for Non-Publication?::	No
Total Drawing Sheets::	11
Small Entity?::	No
Petition included?::	No
Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.?::	No

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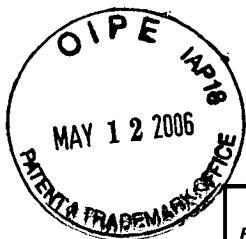
Application::	Continuity Type::	Parent Application::	Parent Filing Date::
This Application	Continuation-in-part of	10/664,575	09/17/03
10/664,575	Continuation-in-part of	10/409,958	04/09/03
10/664,575	Continuation-in-part of	10/609,123	06/27/03

Foreign Priority Information

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Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).		Complete if Known	
FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005		Application Number	10/776,414-Conf. #2408
		Filing Date	February 11, 2004
		First Named Inventor	Jonathan Fanger
		Examiner Name	R. W. Amareld
		Art Unit	3738
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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
							Small Entity
Fee Description							Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)							50
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)							200
Multiple dependent claims							360
							Fee (\$)
Total Claims							Fee Paid (\$)
<u>73</u> - 73 = _____ x _____ = _____							
Indep. Claims							Fee Paid (\$)
<u>7</u> - 7 = _____ x _____ = _____							
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
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4. OTHER FEE(S)							Fees Paid (\$)
Petition to Add Inventor, \$130 fee							130.00
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): _____							

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